Claims

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An isolated, pesticidal protein wherein said protein comprises a pesticidal fragment of the full-length *Cry*6A toxin of SEQ ID NO:2, wherein said protein has a molecular weight between approximately 34 kDa and approximately 50 kDa.

2. The protein of claim 1 wherein said protein has a molecular weight of approximately 40-48.7 kDa.

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The protein of claim 1 wherein said protein consists of a pesticidal fragment of the full-length Cry6A toxin of SEQ ID NO:2.

4. The protein of claim 1 wherein said protein comprises the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:6 or a pesticidal fragment of SEQ ID NO:6.

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The protein of claim 1 wherein said protein consists of the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:6 or a pesticidal fragment of SEQ ID NO:6.

- 6. The protein of claim 1 wherein said protein comprises an amino acid segment of SEQ ID NO:2 from approximately amino acid 10 to approximately amino acid 443 of SEQ ID NO:2.
- 7. The protein of claim 1 wherein said protein consists of an amino acid segment of SEQ ID NO:2 from approximately amino acid 11 to approximately amino acid 443 of SEQ ID NO:2.

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The protein of claim 1 wherein said protein comprises the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:8.

9. The protein of claim 1 wherein said protein consists of an amino acid segment of SEQ ID NO:2 from approximately amino acid 11 to approximately amino acid 390 of SEQ ID NO:2.

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A method of controlling a coleopteran pest wherein said method comprises contacting said pest with an isolated, pesticidal protein wherein said protein comprises a pesticidal fragment of the full-length *Cry*6A toxin of SEQ ID NO:2, wherein said protein has a molecular weight between approximately 34 kDa and approximately 50 kDa.

11. The method of claim 10 wherein said protein has a molecular weight of approximately 40-48.7 kDa.

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The method of claim 10 wherein said protein consists of a pesticidal fragment of the full-length Crv6A toxin of SEQ ID NO:2.

13. The method of claim 10 wherein said protein comprises the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:6 or a pesticidal fragment of SEQ ID NO:6.

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The method of claim 10 wherein said protein consists of the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:6 or a pesticidal fragment of SEQ ID NO:6.

- 15. The method of claim 10 wherein sax protein comprises an amino acid segment of SEQ ID NO:2 from approximately amino acid 11 to approximately amino acid 443 of SEQ ID NO:2.
- 16. The method of claim 10 wherein said protein consists of an amino acid segment of SEQ ID NO:2 from approximately amino acid 11 to approximately amino acid 443 of SEQ ID NO:2.

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- The method of claim 10 wherein said protein comprises the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:8.
- 18. The method of claim 10 wherein said protein consists of an amino acid segment of SEQ ID NO:2 from approximately amino acid 11 to approximately amino acid 390 of SEQ ID NO:2.
- 19. The method of claim 10 wherein said protein is produced by and present in a plant.
- 20. An isolated polynucleotide that encodes a protein of claim 1.
- 21. A transgenic microbial or plant cell comprising a polynucleotide of claim 20.